#### STATE OF IOWA

## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### **UTILITIES BOARD**

IN RE:

QWEST CORPORATION, f/k/a U S WEST COMMUNICATIONS, INC., AND CONTINENTAL F.S. COMMUNICATIONS

DOCKET NO. NIA-00-53

#### ORDER APPROVING NEGOTIATED INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT

(Issued November 3, 2000)

On September 22, 2000, Qwest Corporation, f/k/a U S WEST Communications, Inc., and Continental F.S. Communications filed a negotiated interconnection agreement for review by the Utilities Board (Board) pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 252(e). On September 29, 2000, the Board issued an order identifying the proceeding as Docket No. NIA-00-53 and allowing any interested party the opportunity to submit written comments supporting approval or rejection of the agreement within 30 days of the filing. No comments were filed.

Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 252(e)(2)(A), the Board may reject a negotiated interconnection agreement if it finds either (1) the agreement discriminates against a telecommunications carrier not a party to the agreement, or (2) the implementation of the agreement is not consistent with the public interest, convenience, and necessity. Based upon the record made in this docket, the filed agreement does not

discriminate against any other carrier and it is not inconsistent with the public interest and will be approved.

## IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

The negotiated interconnection agreement filed on September 22, 2000, by Qwest Corporation, f/k/a U S WEST Communications, Inc., and Continental F.S. Communications is approved to be effective upon issuance of this order.

# **UTILITIES BOARD**

	/s/ Allan T. Thoms
ATTEST:	/s/ Susan J. Frye
/s/ Raymond K. Vawter, Jr. Executive Secretary	/s/ Diane Munns
Dated at Des Moines, Iowa, this 3 <sup>rd</sup> day of November, 2000.	